



# 2018 Hillsborough Bay Race

Saturday March 24, 2018

The Organizing Authority is the Davis Island Yacht Club

## NOTICE OF RACE

“Come Hell or high water” was the phrase used by our first regatta chair, Brian Malone. This distance race is held in Hillsborough Bay, but don’t assume it is just an afternoon cruise. Test your navigation skills and plan to race even if the weather pipes up. This time of year is prone to fronts. In the internet age, most race decisions are made at the bar watching radar. You can plan to race this one and hone your heavy weather skills, so don’t shy away if there is a blow.

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 All PHRF classes will use the Scoring Penalty of rule 44.3.

### 2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 Eligible boats may enter by completing on-line entry and paying the required fees at [www.diyc.org](http://www.diyc.org).
- 2.2 The regatta is open to all boats with a valid WPHRF certificate or a “provisional” DIYC rating assigned by the DIYC Fleet Captain.
- 2.3 PHRF classes include: Spinnaker, Racer Cruiser, Non-Spinnaker, Cruising and Multihull (at the discretion of the Race Committee, to be placed in appropriate monohull class if not enough entries for a separate class)
- 2.4 Under West Florida PHRF rules, this is a Category 4 event.
- 2.5 Cruising spinnakers are permitted for the Cruising Class. All Cruising Class boats intending to use a cruising spinnaker must declare so no later than 1100 on March 24th either by email to [fleetcaptain@diyc.org](mailto:fleetcaptain@diyc.org) or by informing the registration desk staff during registration hours.
- 2.6 Boats may enter on-line at [www.diyc.org](http://www.diyc.org). Boats may also enter, in person, at DIYC during registration hours.

### 3 FEES

- 3.1 The **entry fee is \$50.00**
- 3.2 The entry fee excludes state and local taxes.

### 4 SCHEDULE

Activity	Date/time
registration	0900-1000
skippers meeting	1000
first warning	1100
awards ceremony	1900

### 5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at registration and may be posted online on the DIYC web site prior to event.

## 6 COURSES

6.1 A single distance race in Hillsborough Bay not to exceed 20 nm. Start will be in the vicinity of Davis Island “A” mark and finish at the Davis Island Basin entrance between the two range posts.

6.2 Any boat not finished by 1800 Sat. March 4 will be scored DNF.

## 7 SCORING

7.1 All handicap racing will be scored TOD using West Florida PHRF ratings:

Spinnaker Classes	RLC Rating
Non Spinnaker Class	RLC Rating
Multihull Class	RLC Rating
Racer Cruiser Class	RLC Rating
Cruising Class	RLC Rating

## 8 PRIZES

8.1 Awards ceremony and party will follow the event on March 24 at 1700 at the Regatta Bar downstairs. All divisions will receive awards based on the entries in each division:

Number of Boats	Number of Trophies
1-3	1
4-5	2
>5	3

8.2 This event is a **Davis Island Yacht Club Boat of the Year** event

## 9 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Sailing is an activity that carries with it an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors participate in these Regattas entirely at their own risk and are reminded to pay special attention to RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers, including the Organizing Authority, The Davis Island Yacht Club, Race Committee, Protest Committee, sponsors, volunteers, or any other affiliated organization or official, will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of practice for or participation in this event during shore side or on-the-water activities. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor’s participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

## 10 FURTHER INFORMATION

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